



Protecting Our Troops

The National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2006 – Conference Report

The Conference Report funds force protection measures to help safeguard our military personnel as they engage our enemies in the war on terror.

Up-Armor HMMWVs (“Humvees”). Conferees authorized \$440.0 million for additional Up-Armor HMMWVs (UAHs) for the Army and Marine Corps. This funding will procure the M1114, M1151 and M1152 UAHs, and will maintain optimal production rates, address emerging force protection requirements and facilitate distribution to Army and Marine Corps units currently operating in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Add-On Armor Kits. The Conference Report provides \$170.0 million for tactical wheeled vehicle add-on armor programs, which include steel and transparent armor. These funds can be used for the procurement of add-on armor kits for light, medium, and heavy tactical wheeled vehicles. Conferees also recommend \$2.45 million for kits to armor 60 five-ton trucks to provide convoy protection in Iraq.

Enhanced Body Armor. The conference report includes \$114.7 million for enhanced body armor.

Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Jammers. The conference report includes funding for the Warlock family of jammers and additional low cost jammer initiatives to counter the ongoing threat from IEDs in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Night Vision Equipment. The conference report authorizes \$229 million for the procurement of Marine Corps night vision equipment and \$93.9 million for the procurement of Army night vision equipment.

Tactical Wheeled Vehicle (TWV) Recapitalization and Modernization. Conferees authorized \$333.4 million to facilitate the Army’s recapitalization and modernization program for Tactical Wheeled Vehicles. The Army intends to recapitalize, modernize, and eventually replace the existing light, medium, and heavy tactical wheeled vehicle fleets through an extensive recapitalization program that will convert all TWVs to the latest configuration of vehicle and will include such upgrades as integrated add-on armor, safety enhancements, and other modifications.

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